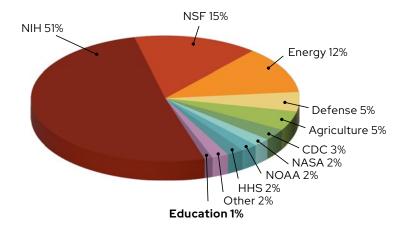
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### Promoting High Schoolers' Civic Skills

#### School of Education

Researchers at the UW-Madison have developed PurpleState—an interactive simulation that teaches high school students how to engage critically with 21st century media and understand some of the reasons behind political polarization. The tool aims to provide an appreciation of how political advertisements are made, as well as how political opinions can be formed. The tool equips students to become more engaged citizens. More online.

# Addressing Special Education Personnel Shortages School of Education

Special education personnel shortages are chronic and widespread, particularly in rural schools. Many schools rely on new, emergency certified teachers to address this shortage. Researchers at UW-Madison are working to develop and pilot a professional development intervention to enhance the behavior management capabilities and self-efficacy of emergency certified special educators working in rural school districts. More online.

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